

CITY OF LONG BEACH

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Flood Insurance Information

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AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL

RESIDENTS ARE URGED TO ACT NOW TO LOCK IN SAVINGS ON FLOOD INSURANCE!

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has issued new floodplain maps that designate the ENTIRE CITY OF LONG BEACH AS A FLOOD ZONE.

There is a 30 day waiting period before the maps take effect September 11, 2009.

We encourage you to purchase flood insurance by August 11, 2009!

If your property is now in the low risk zone (X), your pre-September 11 rate may be “grandfathered,” saving you hundreds of dollars yearly in flood insurance. If your home is now designated in a higher risk zone (AE), which encompasses virtually all of Long Beach, your lender will require flood insurance. If you intend to refinance a mortgage, your rate will be based on the new flood maps after September 11, 2009.

“We urge all residents to contact their insurance companies prior to August 11,” said City Council President Thomas R. Sofield, Jr. “If you do not currently have flood insurance, now is the time to lock in the best possible rate while the 1997 maps are still in effect.”

The City does not determine flood insurance rates; they are established by FEMA.

WHAT LONG BEACH IS DOING TO HELP....

The City has applied for a CRS (Community Rating Service) rating through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). This rating is designed to provide incentives in the form of premium discounts for communities that go beyond minimum floodplain management requirements. Because of the City’s diligent pursuit of protocols, which include promoting public awareness about flood damage and loss reduction, bulkhead rehabilitation and street drainage and infrastructure improvements, Long Beach residents may qualify for a substantial flood policy discount.

Act now to lock in a lower rate!

Look for updates on the City’s website www.longbeachny.org

To view flood maps or for more information log onto floodsmart.gov

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PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO READ THIS VERY IMPORTANT
MESSAGE FROM THE LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL.
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